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Sir:

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AT005307U1:

A combustion engine is disclosed, wherein fuel is externally ignited by way of a

laser beam. The external ignition device includes an optical device in the path of a

laser beam from a laser source with a focusing device with at least one switchable

mirror preferably electrically operated, so that the laser beam can be selectively

focused on at least two different ignition points in the combustion chamber.

While this statement contains all of the relevant information presently known to

the Applicants, it should not be interpreted as a representation that an exhaustive

search has been conducted or that no other relevant information exists. Moreover, the

Applicants invite the Examiner to make an independent evaluation of the cited

references to determine their relevance to the subject matter of the present application.

Finally, the Applicants urge that their claims are patentably distinguishable over

all disclosed relevant information or any combination thereof.

Respectfully Submitted,

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